

Helpful Contact Information

Any Emergency	9-1-1
Non-Emergency Fire	781-235-1300
Non-Emergency Police	781-235-1212
Health Department	781-235-0135
Dept. of Public Works	781-235-7600
School Department	781-446-6200
Newton-Wellesley Hospital	617-243-6000
BI/Deaconess Hospital	781-453-3000
Leonard Morse Hospital	508-650-7000
State Terrorism Tip Line	888-USA-5458
Weather	617-936-1234

Websites

Town of Wellesley:
www.wellesleyma.gov

MA Emergency Management Agency:
www.massgov.mema

MA Department of Public Health:
www.state.ma.us/dph/

Centers for Disease Control:
www.cdc.gov

American Red Cross:
www.redcross.org



A MESSAGE FROM THE WELLESLEY BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Dear Wellesley Residents, Business and Academic Community,

This brochure is offered to you as a public service to answer questions you may have on how to be better prepared in an emergency situation. Over the next year the Wellesley Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) will be providing you with information on specific emergency preparedness topics relevant to the community.

We want to assure you that the Town of Wellesley and its LEPC continues to work with state and federal agencies to provide Town personnel with the specialized training and equipment needed to respond to potential incidents.

Though there are no guarantees that we can prevent all acts of terrorism or naturally occurring events, please know that we will continue to do all that we can to safeguard our community. The health and safety of our community have always been and will continue to be our highest priority.

Sincerely,

Wellesley Board of Selectmen

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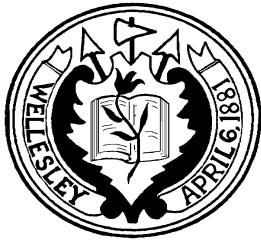
c/o Wellesley Fire Department
457 Worcester Street
Wellesley, MA 02481
www.ci.wellesley.ma.us/emergency/index.htm

TOWN OF WELLESLEY RESIDENT

Wellesley Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)

AN EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS GUIDE FOR WELLESLEY, MA

Safety Tips For Times of Uncertainty



www.wellesley.ci.ma.us/emergency/index.htm

Town of Wellesley, MA

The Town of Wellesley Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) is comprised of Town agencies including the Board of Selectmen, Board of Health, Fire, Police, Health, Public Works and School Departments, The Red Cross, Newton-Wellesley Hospital, Wellesley and Babson Colleges and the business community. The LEPC collaborates with many state and federal agencies involved in local and regional emergency preparedness. The LEPC developed this guide to help the Wellesley community prepare for any emergency that could affect it, as a result of a naturally occurring or man-made event.



HOW YOU CAN PREPARE: You can prepare for a potential terrorist attack in much the same way you would for a blizzard that could knock out electricity and confine you to your home. The American Red Cross recommends putting together a Family Disaster Plan and Disaster Supply Kit.

NOTIFICATION OF AN EMERGENCY IN WELLESLEY

If there is a localized emergency (i.e. a communicable disease at a school) the Town’s emergency notification system *City Watch* will call you with a message and further instructions. If the situation warrants, tune to area radio or television stations, as well as websites applicable to the emergency. Keep a portable radio on hand with fresh batteries, should the power go out. Don’t forget to have a family communication plan. Besides outlining how you might contact one another, ask friends and family in another part of the country to serve as your information contact, if area phone lines are busy or out of service.

WHERE TO FIND SHELTER

If the event warrants the need for sheltering, the first place to do so is in your own home. In certain types of emergencies, you may need to evacuate your home and relocate to a shelter. The Town’s primary emergency shelter is located at the Middle School, but during renovations the temporary primary shelter is at the High School.



ITEMS TO HAVE IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY

- Non perishable food, plastic ware and paper plates, bottle and can openers
- A three—five day supply of water (one gallon per person per day)
- Pet supplies
- Tools, flashlights, portable radio, cell phones and extra batteries
- Blankets, sleeping bags, all weather clothing
- Your medications
- First aid kit
- Bathroom and sanitary items, diapers and baby formula (if relevant)
- Propane for gas grill (outside use only)
- Portable emergency generator (if possible) *Note—generators should be placed outside of your home, with appliances connected directly to the generator—not your home’s electrical system*
- Emergency phone numbers



Preparing for Emergencies

Like every community, we can’t know what the future holds, but the LEPC is working to prepare for all plausible scenarios. The LEPC meets regularly to coordinate Town agencies and individuals with their likely roles in an emergency. Departments in the LEPC perform drills (on a regular basis) in their respective areas to review protocols and to receive training on specific situations. Additionally, the LEPC runs an annual training drill to coordinate efforts and improve emergency response. These improvements are addressed by individual departments as well as at subsequent LEPC meetings.



The Town of Wellesley Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan has been reviewed and updated by Town departments and emergency partners.